GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:379
ANSWERED ON:14.12.2000
CLOSURE OF HANDLOOM POWERLOOM UNITS
MANSINH PATEL

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether many handloom and powerloom units are facing closure due to the non-availability of cotton yarn at reasonable rates;

(b) if so, the number of units closed down in the country, till date;

(c) whether the Government have announced any relaxation in importing the yarn in view of inadequate availability of cotton yarn in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for not imposing ban on the export of cotton yarn?

Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI KASHIRAM RANA)

(a) & (d) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 379 FOR 14.12.2000.

(a) : No Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): There is no restriction on imports of cotton yarn into India. Import of Cotton Yarn into India is permitted under OGL at an import tariff of 25%.

(d): The export of cotton yarn is allowed keeping in view the domestic requirement and production of yarn in the country. There is an increasing trend in production of cotton yarn in the country. There being no shortage of cotton yarn availability for domestic consumption, at present, there is no need for imposing a ban on the export of cotton yarn.

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3. State-wise closure of powerlooms

The state-wise closure position in the powerloom sector is given below as on 31.8.2000:

Sr. No.	State/U.T	No. of Units Closure position	No. of Looms closed units	Estimated (%)	Estimate
1.	Maharashtra	182985	703429	11.75%	21500
2.	Tamil Nadu	67205	317682	0.5%	336
3.	Gujarat	31652	313082	1.45%	459
4.	Karnataka	23832	77780	Negligible	
5.	Uttar Pradesh	25028	65366	29.86%	7473

6. Andhra Pradesh	9548	43535	+	
7 Madhya Pradesh	11570	43456	0.43%	50
8. Rajasthan	4008	31950	30.50%	1222
9. Punjab	3531	22681	21.43%	757
10. Haryana	2653	9882	+	
11. West Bengal	831	4361	12.76%	106
12. Orissa	788	3311	Negligible	
13. Bihar	1443	2894	+	
14. Assam	261	2726	+	
15. Kerala	637	2677	+	
16. Jammu & Kashmir	56	65	+	
TOTAL	366028	1644877	8.72%	31903

+ Reports awaited.